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The fight continues...

Donald Brennan

Mary Tait

Bill Hayward

"If you think education is expensive, you should try ignorance."
— placard at the February 14 Dare to Care rally

It was anything but Valentine's Day for the 600 people who gathered on the front steps of the B.C. legislature to voice their concern over education cuts in the province.

Speakers denounced what they called the government's "immoral" lack of funding for education, and warned the cuts could

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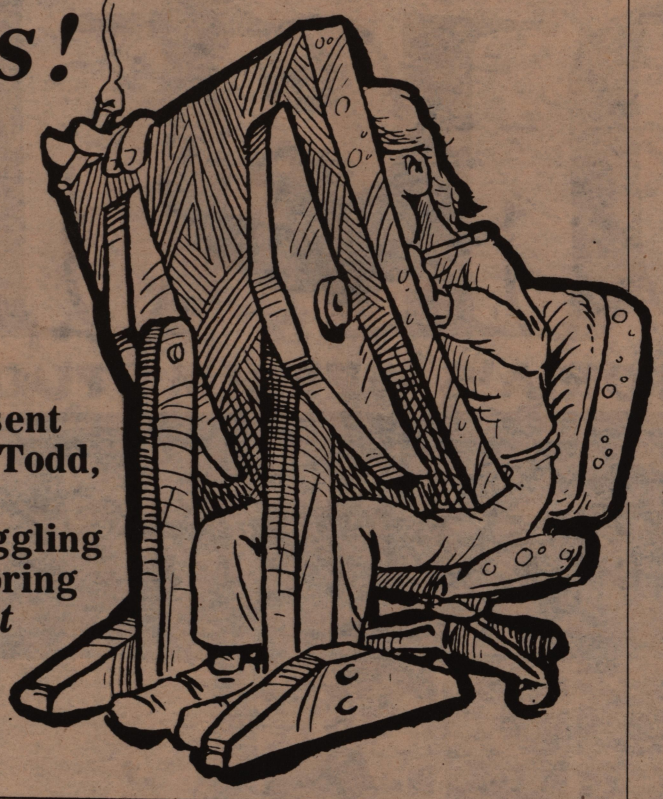
THURSDAY FUNNIES

Cartoonists!



This paper needs cartoons to keep the students happy.

So, will all past and present *Martlet* cartoonists (E.M. Todd, Mark Radigan, Step, Jeff Taylor, etc.) and any struggling artists on campus please bring in your work to the *Martlet* office (Graphics Box).

The fight...

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ruin job prospects and the province's economic well-being for years to come.

"The issue we must all face at this time is a question of priorities," said Carol Pickup, Greater Victoria School Board chairperson. "The government says it doesn't have enough money. Baloney. Their priorities are all cock-eyed."

The NDP universities critic, Lorne Nicolson, (Nelson-Creston) urged the crowd to keep fighting.

"We can not let this government turn B.C. into a third world province. We need a well-educated youth for the challenges of tomorrow and we deserve nothing less," Nicholson said.

The messages on the placards reflected this general mood:

"Cuts Now are Costs Tomorrow."

"Save Art, Drama, Music and Me."

"I am Your Future. Why Hurt Me?"

"Let's Make Education a Mega Project."

The demonstrators included university and college students from Vancouver, Victoria, Nanaimo and Williams Lake, and a sprinkling of local high school students.

Also on hand were representatives of the Canadian Federation of Students, UVic Faculty Association, UVic Alma Mater Society, SFU Student Society, UVic's Alliance to Defend Education, and the Confederation of University Faculty Associations of British Columbia.

Protestors shouted for cabinet ministers to address them throughout the 90 minute demonstration, but to no avail.

Universities, Science and Communications Minister Pat McGeer said he was in his office at the time and hadn't been invited.

AMS President Rosemin Keshvani — *photo by Donald Brennan*

"I didn't even know they were here."

When asked if he would have spoken if approached, McGeer replied, "Who knows, who knows."

McGeer said university students are "getting a terrific deal."

"Why, when I went to university I had to put up half the costs. That's what the fees were in those days. But now . . . the taxpayers are paying 85 to 90 per cent and the students are only paying a very small percentage. Mind you, they will eventually become taxpayers, but in the meantime, compared with the ones who aren't going to university, they are getting this tremendous subsidy," he said.

Education Minister Jack Heinrich said he was having a meeting in his office with a group of Vancouver high school students during the protest.□

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION
(A.M.S. and G.S.S. members)

NOTICE OF ELECTIONS TO THE SENATE AND THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Take notice that the following elections will take place on 27 March 1985.

Elections to the Senate:

Twelve full time students (including at least one student from each Faculty) (one year term)

Election to the Board of Governors:

Two full time students (one year term)

Closing Date for Nominations: 27 February 1985

A nomination paper is not valid unless it is delivered at the office of the Registrar (Room 101, Sedgewick Building, University of Victoria), or, if sent by mail, it is received by him not later than *4:30 p.m., Wednesday, 27 February 1985.*

Eligibility:

The Student Association is composed of all students who are members of the Alma Mater Society or the Graduate Students' Society of the University of Victoria.

A student is defined as a person who is enrolled at this University in at least one credit course which is currently in session.

Persons eligible to make nominations and to vote shall be students who are members of the Student Association.

The following definitions shall apply in determining eligibility to stand for election.

A full time student is defined as either (i) an undergraduate student who is enrolled in the Winter Session in at least 12 units of courses or who will complete by 30 April 1985 at least 15 units of courses taken since 1 May 1984, or (ii) a graduate student who is currently enrolled as a full time student in a program leading to a Master's or Doctor's degree.

A part time student is defined as either (i) an undergraduate student who is enrolled in the Winter Session in fewer than 12 units of courses and will complete by 30 April 1985 fewer than 15 units of courses taken since 1 May 1984, or (ii) a graduate student who is currently enrolled as a part time student in a program leading to a Master's or a Doctor's degree.

These definitions shall apply from the beginning of the period of nominations to the date of election.

The following persons are not eligible to be members of the Board of Governors under the terms of the *University Act*, Section 23:

(a) Members of the Parliament of Canada;
(b) Members of the Executive Council or of the Legislative Assembly;
(c) A person who is not a Canadian citizen or a person lawfully admitted to Canada under the *Immigration Act* (Canada) for permanent residence;
(d) A member of the Public service in the Ministry of Education;
(e) A person who ordinarily resides outside the Province.

Election Register:

The Election Register is open to inspection by any member of the Student Association in the office of the Registrar, Room 101 Sedgewick Building, from 13 to 27 February 1985, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, except during the noon hour.

Nominations:

Nomination papers must be signed by no fewer than three persons who are eligible to vote in the election and must be accompanied by a signed statement from the candidate that he or she is willing to stand for election. Nomination forms are available in the office of the Registrar on and after 13 February 1985.

Term of Office:

Candidates elected to the Senate or the Board of Governors as full time students will take office on 1 May 1985 for one year. Those students elected must maintain their status as full time students during the term of office.

Voting:

Ballots are to be mailed to all members of the Student Association on 13 March, to be returned by noon on 27 March 1985.

Dated this 5th day of February, 1985.

R. Ferry
Registrar

UVIC LAW

Interested In Law?

•Have you applied for admission this September?

OR

Are you thinking about applying this year . . . next year . . . 'sometime' in the future?

•Then please attend our "Information Evening" on Tuesday, February 26th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Begbie Building, Room 159.

•Speakers:
Dean Lyman R. Robinson
Garry Charlton, Admissions Officer
Law Students

•Question period to follow in Student Lounge (coffee provided)

•Begbie Building "open to view."

Budget meltdown

VANCOUVER (CUP) — One out of every six instructors at B.C.'s most well-known technological institute will be fired if the provincial government continues its funding cutbacks.

The B.C. Institute of Technology, which faces a 10.7 per cent cut in provincial funding next year, is grappling for ways to make the cuts. President Gordon Thom has given faculty, staff and students one month to find alternative courses of funding.

Thom recently announced the following cuts will be made if those sources are not discovered:

- 89 of BCIT's 550 instructors will be laid off,
- marketing management, broadcast engineering, health information technology and building technology programs will be eliminated,
- library hours will be reduced by 13.5 hours a week,
- central counselling services and central audio-visual services will be eliminated.

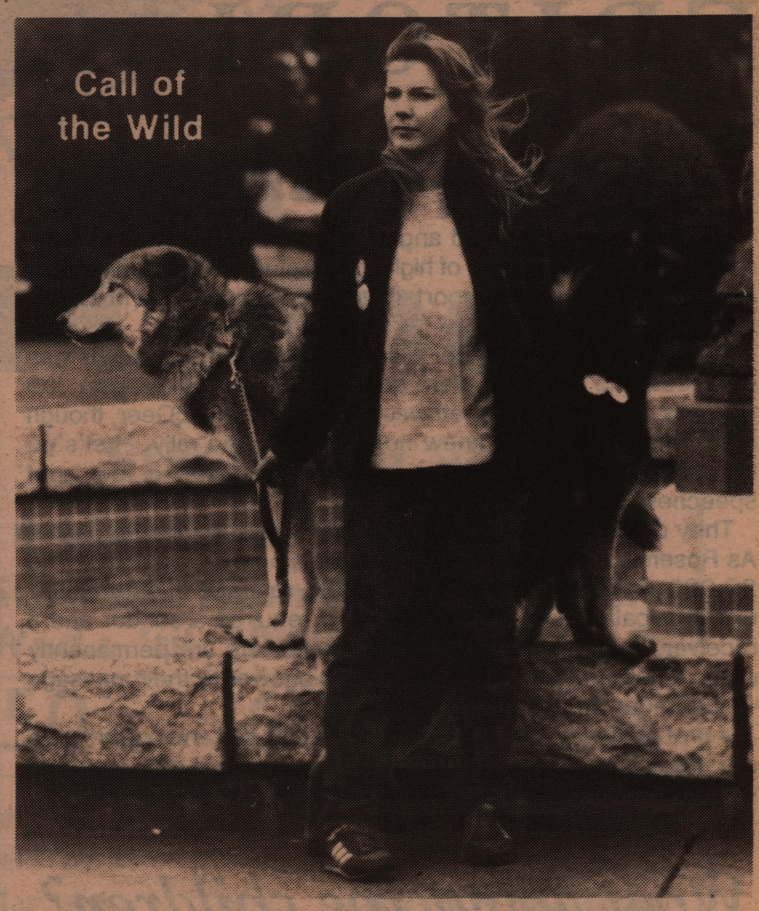
Thom said other sources of revenue include tuition fee increases, additional money from the provincial government, salary deferrals and increased workload on remaining faculty members. BCIT swallowed a 10.2 per cent funding cut last year by laying off 100 full-time staff and faculty positions and increasing fees by 30 per cent.

BCIT students and faculty are unhappy about the proposed cuts, saying the administration should pare down management salaries and the institute's growing number of computers. The administration recently introduced a new computer program which replaced several electrical and electronic studies lecturers.

"I think they are spending an awful lot on computers in the hope they can replace instructors," says Gregory Layton, BCIT staff society president.

"I think they are wrong, I don't think it will work."

Student council president Donald Rippon says students want to keep tuition at current levels but would agree to a hike if the administration agrees to certain concessions, such as reducing their own salaries. He says students do not want programs or faculty positions cut.□



The ambassador of the B.C. wolf population, "Kuka," was also at the legislature on Valentine's Day. Here, Kuka is seen with a Project Wolf representative — *photo by Mary Tait (B.C. PIRG)*

Campus lights: *Astronomical problems*

by Lorna Dosso

Calls for more lights on campus make astronomer Jeremy Tatum uneasy. Excess light at UVic already limits use of the Clemenhaga Observatory telescopes on top of the Elliott Building.

The globe lights in the centre of campus "couldn't be worse" for light pollution says Tatum, because of their shape and the nature of the mercury light they emit. The round shape is inefficient, allowing more than half the light to go up, instead of down onto the ground, says the UVic prof. This light is scattered by particles, brightening the sky and making observations difficult.

Last month the B.C. Public Interest Research Group recommended improved lighting. Their survey results showed some women avoided the campus at night because they feel unsafe. But seen from a distance, UVic is the brightest spot in Victoria, according to the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory in Saanich.

Building and Grounds have been trying to respond to both kinds of complaints for years. They have installed more lights in problem areas such as the pathway between the SUB and the residences, the McKinnon and Campus Services building, and parking lots B and C. They have also put small shields inside the top of 34 of the globe lights near the Elliott Building to direct more of the light downwards.

Tatum wants the campus to be safe at night too, especially since astronomy students and faculty have to use the telescopes then. However, if light pollution gets much worse, he'll have to stop his research on comets. Student work is also being affected, he says, although not yet as seriously.

The astronomy program is considered one of the best in Canada Tatum says. There are about 150 students, eight grad students, and six faculty. Their equipment is worth a quarter of a million dollars, and includes the large telescope in the happy face dome, two small telescopes and six teaching telescopes in a telescope shelter.

Changing to different fixtures or to the low pressure sodium light preferred by astronomers is prohibitively expensive, says Ian Campbell of Campus Planning. Changing just the lights near the Elliott building would look inconsistent as sodium light is yellow. As for operation costs, Campbell says they would be similar; Tatum says much lower.

Lighting style was decided 20 years ago when the university plans were first drawn up. Campbell says if they had anticipated this problem then, they would probably have chosen sodium lights from the start.

If the astronomy program gets bigger, the lighting may be worth changing, Campbell says, but he wonders whether the site on top of the Elliott building can realistically be protected in the long run.

Light pollution has become a problem for many observatories around the world. Some places like San Diego and the Saanich Peninsula have changed to sodium lighting near the observatories.

Tatums says lighting is a motherhood issue — everyone wants more of it. He just wishes they would consider the implications for astronomers.□

English panel succeeds

by Catherine Waters

The English Students' Society held its first *Careers Symposium* on February 13, 1985. An overwhelming success, approximately 130 students packed a Cornett lecture hall to hear a six-member panel address the question of the value of a B.A. in English in a variety of fields. The fields represented were: media, law, arts administration, government, publishing, and post-secondary teaching. The organizers would like to thank the panelists for giving so much of their time and expertise.□

Bugburger to go

OTTAWA (CUP) — Despite $132,000 in recent renovations, the University of Ottawa cafeteria has a cockroach problem, employees say.

A former employee, who asked his name not be used, said his co-workers were "picking up maybe 20 to 40 cockroaches a day" in the cafeteria kitchen and "before Christmas it was so bad that they were in the freezer."

Another current cafeteria employee, also unidentified, said cockroaches are even getting into prepared foods, and that "a couple of students came back with cockroaches on their plates." At least one student has confirmed finding a cockroach in her food.

Barbara Khouzam, the university's SAGA foods manager, dismissed the cockroaches as "a problem that affects any food system." She blamed food suppliers with bringing in the bugs.

She said the cafeteria is sprayed with non-toxic insecticide every two weeks, and there are two fumigations a year.

The renovations, the first in 10 years, are meant to give the cafeteria more polish.□

Wallet thefts increase

by Sarah Thompson

"Don't encourage a thief!"

This was the advice offered by head of Traffic and Security, Tom O'Connor. The amount of thefts, mainly wallets and purses, has become a real problem at UVic. O'Connor estimates over 60 purses and wallets have been stolen this year.

The main areas where thefts occur are the library, offices and classrooms, although any place where a bag is left unattended is a target. The thieves are looking for money as a rule, so once they have grabbed the money, the purse is discarded, along with identification and personal information.

If your purse is stolen, you should report it immediately to Traffic and Security. O'Connor adds in most cases "we normally come up with the wallets somewhere down the line."□

— Mike O'Brien

EDITORIAL

Loud but not heard

The protesters marched angrily toward the legislature, while on the steps a large group of high school students waited, whooping and cheering their support. It was a moving sight, and a rousing rally.

All the old slogans were yelled once again, education was defended, the cutbacks were condemned. But once again, the Socreds didn't hear. Bennett was in Regina, and McGeer, though in his office, claims he knew nothing about the rally. "Let's go in!" people shouted, but no-one did. And after a few brief speeches, the rally fizzled out.

They do have good soundproofing in the Belleville St. castle. As Rosemin Keshvani pointed out, the Socreds didn't hear the 20,000 marchers protesting the 1983 restraint budget either. Communication is a two-way affair. It requires a sender and a receiver, but with the Socreds, the receivers are permanently out to lunch. For students, there is no answer to their message — just more cuts.

A prof observed that our tactics are outmoded and our protests are predictable. We need to voice our rage in a new way that will be as effective as the Socreds' cuts are ruthless. Any ideas?□

What about the children?

Children attending the Peter Pan Day Care Centre in Vancouver have complained of unnecessary touching and harsh punishment by Centre operator Edith Wilkins and her co-workers.

A student teacher doing her practicum at the Centre saw Wilkins administer cruel and unusual punishment to several children.

Parents of the upset children have reported sudden behavioural changes which seem to coincide with their children's account of abuse at school.

Supreme Court Justice Reginald Gibb ruled the Peter Pan Day Care Centre could reopen provided "Wilkins voluntarily refrained from having anything to do with the children." In defense of his ruling, he cited the Child Care Licensing Board's failure to inform Wilkins of the charges against her until the day before a hearing was held into her license suspension.

Wilkins might suffer irreparable financial loss and injury to her reputation in the community if the Centre remains closed during the investigation, he said.

But what about the children?

We know how difficult it is to speak out against authority. As adults we appreciate the risks involved but we have a certain faith in justice, in our RIGHT to speak out and be heard.

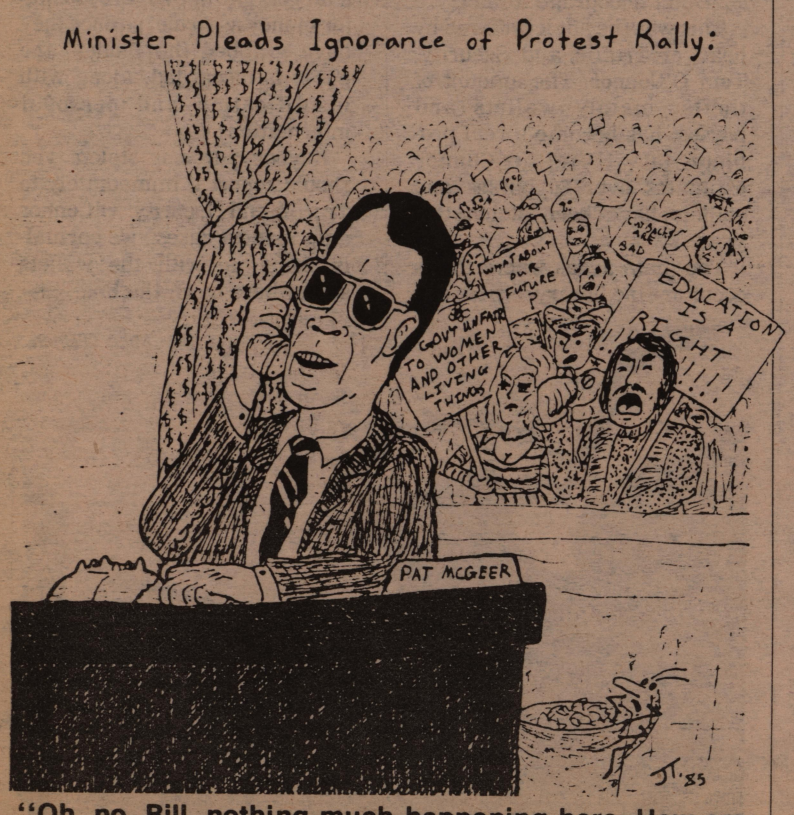
Children have no voice. They are supposed to be seen and not heard. When a child speaks out, it is with the full knowledge that s/he is violating a deepy embedded social taboo.

Not surprisingly, most children don't expect to be heard.

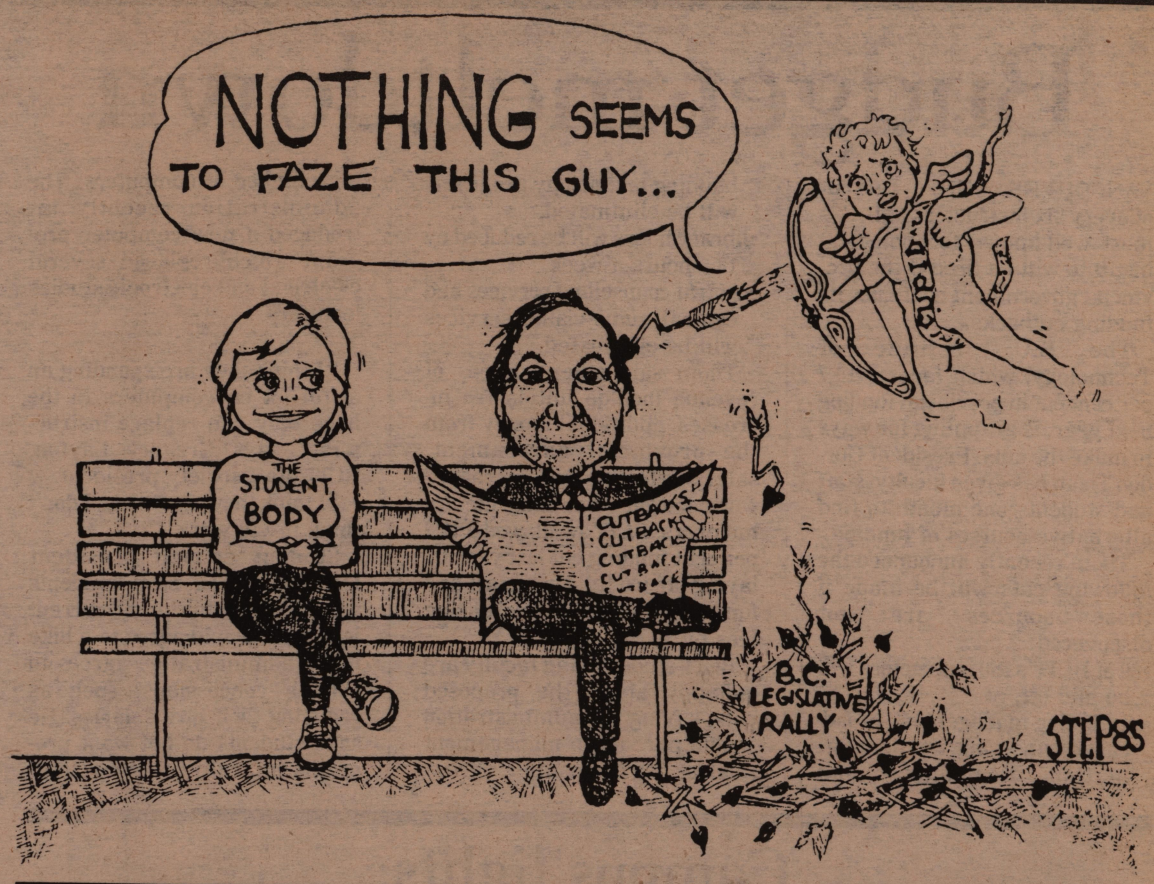
Not surprisingly, most children are frightened of retribution from those adults they "squealed" on.

Edith Wilkins will reopen her day care centre. Her right to speak out has been upheld. She has been heard by the courts.

But what about the children?□



"Oh, no, Bill, nothing much happening here. How are things in Regina?"



Letters to the Editors

AMS making bad move

Editors:

The *Martlet* may be in debt and there are probably numerous other details surrounding the current conflict between the AMS and our student newspaper that I am not aware of BUT:

1. The *Martlet* is the best form of advertising for clubs, course unions, and students in general. Many people criticize it weekly but they obviously read it to find something to criticize.

2. If the BOD is serious about wanting to draw the University together and promote the development of an informed and concerned campus then how can they consider cutting (or cutting back) their main vehicle of communication?

3. The *Martlet* is an essential student service, similar to city papers. It will always be criticized, and to a point that's a healthy thing but it must continue to serve the university community.

The *Martlet* has always served my Students' Association well and I hope that service will be available to those who follow me as well.

R. Hetherington
President EdSA

The Ringlet

Editor:

What is the point of having two papers on campus? Although *the Ring* caters more toward the faculty, most of the information seems somewhat redundant. That is not to say, all of the content. It is well-known what the *Martlet* caters to. The combined efforts of staff as well as editors, would provide UVic with a paper which reflects the cooperativeness of this institution. We've shown in the past, that faculty and students can rally for the same cause — so why not join the two papers in pedagogic matrimony?

The integration of *the Ring* and the *Martlet* would seem to solve all current obstacles. The entire UVic population would benefit all the more. Both students and faculty should be and/or become more acquainted with each others' areas — a little familiarity or closeness never hurt anyone.

How much is the budget for *the Ring*? I'm sure its budget combined with the *Martlet's* would not only make editors happy but also readers happy. More content, access to information, staff, etc. means more readers.

The *Times* and the *Daily Colonist* did it (although, the content is sometimes something to be desired) with no seething masses or disrepute. If there is a succinct reason out there that can explain the benefits and rationality behind having two papers on campus, then I submit.

Alix Allen

Paper rejects pro-lifers

Editor:

I find it offensive you intend to apply for an increase in student fee levys to offset your financial difficulties. You claim to be the voice of the students at UVic when in fact you consistently speak out only for those whom you in your exalted wisdom consider to be "right."

By rejecting all ad submissions from the Students Against Abortion club you alienate the *Martlet* from a great many students who are pro-life. A more honest approach would be to allow advertising on any issue of social concern that gave notice of upcoming meetings or stated a position on an issue. I'm sure you realize this would increase your monetary income.

May I add the pro-life groups both off and on campus would be willing to consider, and more than able to pay for, weekly ads in the *Martlet*. No, I won't hold my breath . . . and by the way, I'd like to remind you and your readers the abortion film of the decade *The Silent Scream* by Dr. Bernard Nathanson will be shown Thursday at 12:30 in Cle. A-106. Please come and see this expose on abortion.

James R. Stark

Ed note: The Martlet *publishes pro-life submissions to Billboard and Clubs Calendar.*

Narcoleptic editorial writers

Editor:

Your editorial and article in last week's issue of the *Martlet* regarding the investment of the Alma Mater Society's Capital Replacement Fund seem to be at variance with each other. The article was for the most part a fair review of my comments on the subject while the editorial verges on total fiction. I was invited to the Board meeting to discuss that issue and one other which did not reach the table. I assumed I was to be in attendance to supply background on the investment portfolio, its success and the manner in which decisions have been made. I'm sorry I bored those in attendance with those details and from your editorial I would guess your editorial writer was the first to fall asleep.

I should like to state for the record, I have no opposition to the AMS's wishes to avoid South African connections. I do object to the milk sop "I'm all right Jack" approach to the issue. As I have said to representatives of Carling O'Keefe, St. Michelle Wines, Rothmans Corp. and the Banks of Commerce and Montreal, if I were in charge of managing this issue I would make those companies bleed by mounting an effective campaign which would cause them embarassment at least and might have some real effect on their policies.

Taking a hands off approach does nothing. This is particularly true in regard to the Bank of Montreal bonds we acquired nine years ago when we did conduct all our business with the Bank of Montreal.

A bond does not know who owns it. Once a bank sells a bond, which it guarantees to redeem at some future date it doesn't care who owns it and it matters nothing to them the number of times it is resold on the market. After the initial sale the Bank is out of the picture and is in no position to be hurt by a resale of the bond. It is therefore obvious there is no political gain to be

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Quote of the Week:
"I guess I've been hardened by my circumstances. To me, being in jail wasn't all that different from raising four kids on Mother's Allowance.
— Joanne Young, advocate of non-violent civil disobedience

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made by adopting a blanket disinvestment posture.

I did not attempt to derail the Board on the issue. I was attempting to point out the pitfalls of attempting to be politically correct. I was attempting to supply the Board with facts necessary to make a realistic decision. As usual, of late, I failed. The meeting disintegrated into adversarial rancour during which the real issue was abandoned.

Your second editorial on the issue is also indicative of your dozing posture. Perhaps your readers would like to know the 10 year record of the Capital Replacement Fund. Students have contributed $122,000 to the fund over the decade, $105,000 has been drawn out to replace furniture an equipment. (The largest expenditure being $42,000 for the *Martlet's* typesetting equipment.) The investments have earned $72,000 during the decade. It's a good record.

In conclusion I object to the accusation I pull the strings of the AMS. If it was up to me to direct the AMS on the issue of South African investment there would be a lot more steel in my campaign. No one is afraid of a toothless dog.

D.C. Clode
General Manager

Martlet ignores restraint

Restraint is a reality; but the *Martlet*, true to its nature, pushes its opinion to the other extreme: blatant greed. In a time when people (especially students) are learning to make do with less, the *Martlet* wants more.

The "dual editor" system has only been in existance for three years, an experiment which was the result of a close election. For three years we've witnessed a rapid and steady deterioration of quality in the student paper. To say the loss of one editor (with nothing short of incredulity) is detrimental to the quality of the *Martlet* implies the addition of more editors will improve it. Obviously, this is not true; and of all people, editors should realize the quality of a publication is only as good as the people who write for it — and in this case they're *volunteers*. But the quality of the editor(s) determines the willingness of writers to submit their time and effort. You should therefore review the quality of your editorship before you lament a reduction in its quantity. The $3 levy is *half* what you said it would be two issues ago. Did you fear a loss of support with such an amount? (which is in *addition* to the $40,000 you already get from student fees.) Ultimate autonomy could be achieved by cutting *all* AMS financial support and then asking the students to donate according to their belief in, and appreciation of the *Martlet*. But we both know how much support you'd get that way, and there is a good reason for this — which I just mentioned. To say the *Martlet* represents the interests and concerns of all the students on campus is as ludicrous as saying *the Emily* represents the interests and concerns of all the women on campus. My main interest is lower tuition fees, and learning how to make do with what I have — instead of whining about what I want.

G.D. Swain

Editors; note' Two issues ago we asked $6 for the two terms. By asking for $3 a term (excluding May-August) we are only making our request clearer. Multiply $3 by two and you get $6. We haven't changed our request, we've known all along what type of subsidy we need to survive.

Also, Greg Swain is grossly mistaken when he claims the fee levy is in addition to our present subsidy. If we win the referendum, the AMS BOD will keep the $30,000 they normally give us, spending it on other student services. We presently get about $3.80 per student per term. The $3 per term levy will be the only subsidy we would get next year. The $2.80 would go towards more services and keeping the costs of present services down.

Sue Stroud

Len's letter of the week

Editors:

Many thanks to Sue Stroud, the Alliance to Defend Education (ADE) Co-ordinator, for organizing the Feb. 14 "Dare to Care" rally at the Legislative buildings.

It was inspiring to see not only students from UVic, UBC, SFU, CFS and the many colleges taking part, but the large number of high school students as well. There were even a lot of professors and non-students participating. With events like this one, maybe we will be able to make our voices heard, and convince British Columbians higher education is a right, not a privilege.

Len Molden
AMS Vice President Services

Sign for WUSC

Editor:

I wish to verify the rumour the World University Service of Canada is petitioning for the establishment of an annual student refugee fund.

The Alma Mater Society provides considerable support each year, but supporting a student refugee is costly and demands extensive additional fundraising. Such funds are uncertain and make the existence of the program unstable.

WUSC asks that a referendum question, which will request each UVic student to donate 25 cents per term to their refugee program, be presented at the March AMS elections. 1000 signatures, approximately, must be collected before this question will be accepted. Once the fund is established, WUSC will be certain of having one third of the funds necessary to support a student refugee. The program will have a base to work from and will become an established extension of UVic.

J.A. Webb

Support courageous individuals

Editor:

I wonder how many of your readers are aware there is a small but growing number of students on campus who are committed to sponsoring a student refugee at UVic.

The local committee of the World University Service of Canada already has a programme in place and has sponsored a South African and Guatemalan refugee with financial support from the AMS. The board of directors and the AMS must be commended for their foresight and ability to respond effectively to this complex but urgent problem of student refugees.

I realize the concept of a refugee is difficult to grasp from the stable and relatively comfortable vantage point of North America. My own experience as a nurse volunteer in Lesotho, however, has taught me how fragile and easily taken for granted our freedom can be. In December 1982, I was awakened from my sleep by the sounds of hand grenades and rifle fire too close for comfort. The South African Defence Force was launching a pre-emptive raid on alleged ANC "terrorists" who evidently were living in my neighbourhood. At that point I thanked God I was not a refugee in Lesotho, or in any other country.

A refugee would love to have the problems a Canadian student faces today and I am convinced these courageous and unique individuals can make a substantial contribution to the academic community of UVic. My hope is that students will support and recognize the value of the WUSC-UVic refugee program without experiencing military raids for themselves.

Mike Ladouceur

John missed the point

Editors:

I am responding to John Hostetler's letter from the February 7 *Martlet*. He was apparently bothered by the fact the January 24 issue of *the Emily* had two articles which showed the two opposing viewpoints of the use of terrorism for political reasons.

First of all let me point out Sage Sinats and Corinne Mol are two different peole and are therefore quite likely to have two very different views even though they are both associated with *the Emily*. Consequently it is not "contradictory ethics" for both of their opinions (if they do in fact see terrorism in the biases in which they wrote under) to appear in the same issue of *the Emily*.

Second of all (it appears Hostetler missed the entire point of the side-by-side placing of these two articles) these two articles were used to inform readers of the two opposing outlooks on the use of terrorism and how each of them relates to feminism. This gives readers an unbiased, overall look at the issue. There is no feminist I know of who advocates the use of terrorism against pornography while condemning terrorism by "pro-life" activists. This is obviously not the opinion of *the Emily*.

Charlotte Ostrowski

Se(wo)mantics

Editors:

I'm glad you are removing your per-secution of the genders. It seems it was a sexist feminist enterprise (or experiment) to begin with. All of the many letters in opposition showed people were really thinking, feeling and responding. In this impersonal world which is growing colder and harder, I felt it was just a head trip; the tender gender using (the back off creeps and lechers) mask our (persona) to keep off the beastly man creatures and lost little boys who plague them. Women is Woe to men who are not genuinely human and kind. Mankind is a nice word, if men were kin or kind to their sisters we wouldn't have to watch woe-men get back by buggering with the word. Not odd the "word" or logos is masculine and "eros" feminine. It's all the erotic mischief which has caused us such pain and betrayal on the sexual battleground. It all started with the perversion of that word "eros" which took human feelings from the heart and stuffed them in the pants and still can't get no satisfaction.

Robin Wakefield

PC rebuttal

Editors:

Firstly, I would like to thank you for printing my letter in the February 7 issue, and with your tolerance I submit another to take issue with a few points in letters in the February 14 issue.

Firstly in response to Pam Frache's letter:

1. I did not imply that an organized club tore down our posters and do not know why Miss Frache believes that I did.

2. I presumed that the "Left" did it because posters pertaining to non-conservative topics on the whole seemed to be left untouched, I did not know of damage to NDP posers.

3. What in hell does the "(Short?)" inserted between my first and last names in her letter

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In the past, we have printed letters which exceed the limit. But this means other letters must be left out each week. So be warned. WE WILL NO LONGER PRINT LETTERS WHICH EXCEED THE 300 WORD LIMIT. You write 'em long, we'll ruthlessly cut 'em!

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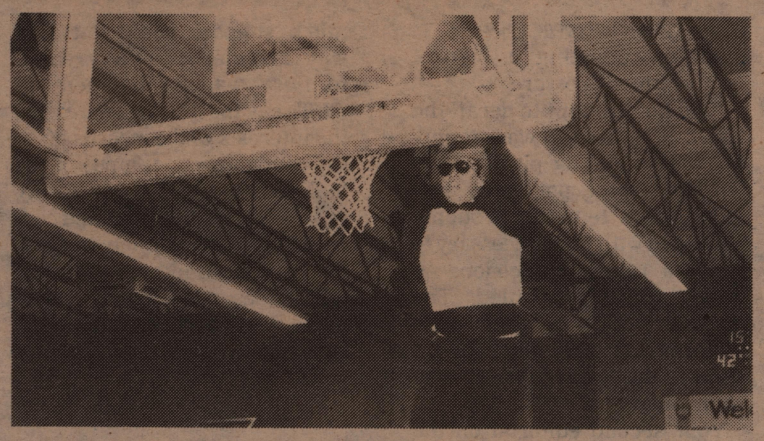


They leap tall backboards in a single bound and invoke waves of enthusiasm in McKinnon. No, Dr. J. hasn't cropped his 'fro, this a UVic basketheaded. Watch "Captain America" and his cohorts make a formal presentation this Friday when the Vikes serve up fried Pronghorn. — *photo by Norm LeBus*

Wild card dealt?

by Rodd McCormick

Varsity volleyball made a clean sweep of UBC last weekend, stuffing the T-Birds 3-0 Friday night and 3-1 Saturday afternoon.

The Vikettes' clutch wins were crucial to their quest for a CIAU wild card berth. Despite finishing fourth in the conference, the women's sweep will net them a National ranking of no lower than fourth in year-end polls, increasing their chances for post-season play. It is speculated the National tournament's two wild cards will be awarded to the country's highest ranking teams which do not win conference championships.

On Friday night the Vikettes destroyed UBC 3-0 as Jill Fougner, Carol Gouldsborough and Kim Mclean had outstanding games. The Vikings, meanwhile, had very little trouble with the fledgling UBC men, but encountered red tape off court.

A Canada West ruling forfeited two matches played last November when an ineligible Viking appeared on the score sheet. This misdemeanor cost UVic two wins and dropped them into third place in Canada West, behind Calgary and Saskatchewan. The Vikings still remain third in CIAU rankings ahead of Calgary, and should be wild carded into the Nationals.

Following the weekend's bird bath, both teams were making travel plans for the Canadian finals at York, pending confirmation from CIAU officials. The ranking committee deals their wild cards February 25; awaiting the decision could be the teams toughest test of all.□

Swimmers sizzling

by John McCaffray

Quality versus quantity was the theme last weekend as UVic's swimmers put on an impressive showing at the Canada West Championships in Calgary.

Competing with only 15 athletes, the Vikes topped all schools with 11 individual victories. However, with opponents' larger rosters filling up the bottom end of the finals and consolations, the accumulative point tally favoured UBC's 36 member team.

Leading the way for UVic was Pam Rai, who collected three individual golds and set two meet records along with a pair of relay golds. Wayne Kelly and Rod Archibald came away with double gold, while Jon Kelly, Serge Score, Tanya Marquardt and Shelley Cuppage won their events.

In addition to the swimmers' fine performance, UVic made history on the springboard. Leslie Ellis placed fifth in both the one meter and three meter competitions to become the first UVic diver to qualify for the Nationals.

Commenting on his team's performance, Vikes Coach Peter Vizsolyi understates, "We swam well considering this is really a secondary meet for us . . . swimming is a pursuit of individual excellence, and that's what we displayed."

For fourth year veteran Kevin Wilson this was his last swimming competition, and Wilson finished his career with a personal best in the 100 meter butterfly consolation, placing fifth. With 13 swimmers meeting National qualifying times the Vikes are peaking for the CIAU Championships at Brock University March 1 - 3.□

Hoop scoop

by Norm LeBus

Basketball is approaching prime time, and the UVic women are packing their bags for centre stage.

The Vikettes completed their perfect conference schedule with a 67-49 drubbing of UBC Saturday, Lori Clarke and Sandy Chambers splitting 32 points and 16 rebounds to lead UVic.

Undefeated in Canada at 17-0, the Vikettes now face the Canada West playoffs in Alberta this weekend, and a brutal road schedule ahead. Five games and five thousand miles remain between UVic and a fourth National title, as 10 of the next 11 days will be spent on the road . . . providing the women conquer Canada West.

"Our team doesn't think it's gonna be easy although we've beaten everybody," cautions coach Kathy Shields, adding "it's certainly no guarantee."

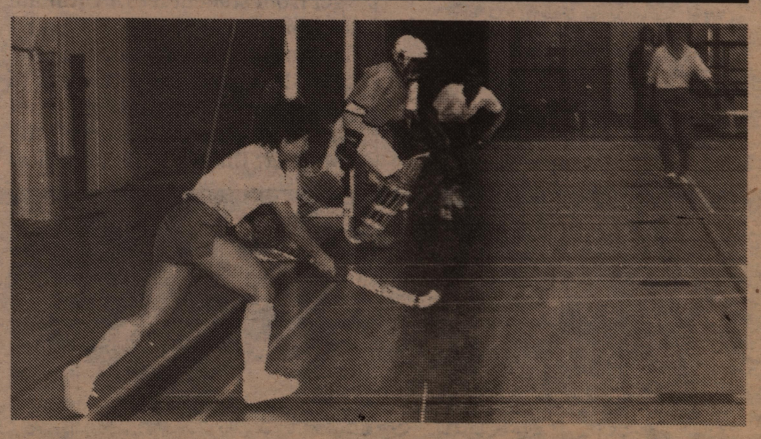
Go ahead and make the reservations for Bishops. In the unlikely event UVic loses the conference playdowns, the Vikettes will qualify for the National tournament's wild card berth via their number one ranking. Nonetheless, fatigue could be UVic's biggest opponent, but nothing in Canada has stopped the Vikettes yet.

Inconsistency continues to stop the Vikings in their quest for Canada West. UVic suffered an embarrassing 69-52 loss to UBC last Thursday, but still remains in contention for the conference title. "We haven't had a game where we've all played well," laments coach Ken Shields. Some Vikes showed spurts in a 82-74 loss to AIA Saturday, notably Cord Clemen's season-high 36 points.

In their last homestand of the regular season, UVic could still win the conference title, but could also finish out of the playoffs in the tightest Canada West race since Shields' arrival.

At 5-3, the Vikes entertain league leading Lethbridge (7-1) Friday and Calgary (4-4) Saturday night. Friday's game is a rematch of the Pronghorn's controversial two point win in Lethbridge, and could clinch Canada West for the prairie school. "They won't win here without one hell of a battle," understates Shields. Tip-Off is 8 p.m. for the biggest game in McKinnon to date.

Two junior varsity games prelude hoop wars, with the JV men set to tackle Malaspina College Friday, and Senior B's Strathcona Stingers Saturday. Both games are at 6:30.□



The CIAU champion Vikettes have found field hockey competition indoors. Winners at the UBC tournament, the women were gracious hosts last weekend, allowing Doves their third straight UVic Invitational Title. Eiko Tabata executes a short corner in fast paced semi-final action Sunday. — *photo by Norm*

For Your Pleasure

White justice

by Ken Anderlini
Canadian University Press

On November 9, 1977, Harvey Milk was elected to San Francisco's Board of Supervisors, becoming California's first openly gay elected official. Just over a year later, Milk and Mayor George Moscone were assassinated by Supervisor Dan White. That evening over 45,000 people marched in a candlelight tribute to the slain officials.

After a controversial trial in which White pleaded guilty by reason of diminished capacity, the result of consuming too much junk food, he was sentenced to five years imprisonment on May 21, 1979. Following the announcement of the sentence, a protest march broke into a riot which caused an estimated property damage of one million dollars. On January 7, 1984, White was released from prison and relocated with his wife somewhere in Southern California.

These are the events which the documentary, *The Times of Harvey Milk* traces and attempts to explain. Robert Epstein was in the process of producing a film on the Briggs initiative, Proposition Six, which would have outlawed gays and lesbians from working in the California school system, when Milk and Moscone were murdered. Epstein expanded the concept of the documentary into the Life and Times of Harvey Milk, which he directed and co-produced.

Produced by Richard Schmeichen, the film is billed as a look at American values in conflict, contrasting the gay liberation movement with the religious right. Milk represents more than just gays and lesbians, for he is

The film borders on presenting Milk as the Buckaroo Banzai of civic politics.

the leader around whom a grassroots coalition of minority groups rally, including Chinese, senior citizens and rank and file trade unionists. By contrast, the religious family man Dan White represents the values of small town America, values and interests which are increasingly criticized as minority groups gain their political voices.

Combining clips of news and private footage, stills, headlines and recently filmed interviews, the film appeals as both a human story and a historical documentary. A narration by Tony winner Harvey Fierstein carries the film through even at times when the documentary footage is of poor quality.

In his choice of interviews, Epstein has been careful to insure that the film will appeal to a wide audience and stress that Milk's support came from a coalition of people from his district. Sitting in an easy chair, Jim Eliot, a middle aged father, recalls his initial homophobia and his concern over his union's support of Milk. Recalling his reaction to Milk he says "At first I thought, 'Jesus Christ, what's labour coming to, endorsing a fruit!' "

The film, unfortunately, is not able to get beyond the image of Milk as a gay all-American hero. Rather than showing Milk as he was, one of the many people involved in the fight for minority rights, he is presented as indispensable. The film borders on presenting Milk as the Buckaroo Banzai of civic politics.

The villain of the documentary is not assassin Dan White, but the justice system which sentenced him to five years imprisonment, without psychiatric treatment, after a "twinkie" defense. In an interview, Henry Der, a leader in the Chinese community, says "I think people have to understand that what the verdict was saying is that if you're white you do not have to be civil in this society." That white men can get away with murder is nothing new, but the film treats White's sentence and trial as if this were a major revelation.

Beyond the black and white treatment of Milk as a hero and the justice system as villain, the film is an intelligent and reflective look at events which could easily be sensationalized. The film is adamant that gay is good and that the time has come when minorities, including gays and lesbians, are able to participate in mainstream politics, a domain previously held by straight men.

The Times of Harvey Milk will be showing February 21 at Cinecenta 7:15 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

ON THE HORIZON

What do you know about education, culture and life in the Soviet Union? The Canada-USSR Association invites you to learn more. Three Soviet scholars will be visiting the campus on Tuesday, February 19 at 3:00 p.m. in the SUB lounge. Educational theory, language and linguistics, and poetry will be topics of discussion. The format will be informal and interpreters will be on hand.

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It's the Year of the Ox starting February 20. In celebration of the Chinese New Year the Chinese Student Association and Pacific and Oriental Studies will be sponsoring two films at Cinecenta. Showings of *Princess Yang Kwei Fei* and *Double Suicide* will begin at 7:15 p.m.

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Tuesday, February 19

Dance

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Happenings

THE REAL THING makes its Victoria debut at 12:30 p.m. in the SUB Theatre and at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Church Hall (1611 Quadra Street). This film documents the struggle of the Coca-Cola workers in Guatemala. There is a discussion after the film with an exiled Guatemalan labour lawyer.

THE MARSHALL ISLANDS; AMERICA'S RADIOACTIVE TRUST Slide show by Phil Esmonde, Director of South Pacific People's Foundation, 1:30 p.m. SUB Theatre. Sponsored by the Students Against Nuclear Suicide.

MARTLET MEETING at 3:30 p.m. in SUB 137 to critique the paper and assign stories. All welcome.

THE ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS with learning disabilities presents a forum entitled "Estate Planning for Your Child", featuring lawyer Alice Finall, at 8 p.m. in the Ryan Street annex of Oaklands School (corner of Ryan and Victor Streets). For more info, call 595-5611.

Wednesday, February 20

Film

PRINCESS YANG KWEI FEI and *DOUBLE SUICIDE* play at Cinecenta at 7:15 p.m. only.

Happenings

SKIPPY THE WONDERDOG will give a lecture in the SUB Theatre entitled "Some of my Best Friends are Fleas". Tea and coffee will be served at the break. All canines should attend. Except Scroungy.

Thursday, February 21

Film

THURSDAY NOON HOUR FILM SHOW at the Victoria Public Library from 12-1 p.m. Today: *Great River of the West, Olympic Elk* and *Tony Hunt: Kwakiutl Artist*. Free admission.

THE TIMES OF HARVEY MILK plays at Cinecenta at 7:15 and 9:00 p.m.

Happenings

LIBRAN B. CABACTULAN will speak on "The Philippines: Problems, Challenges and Opportunities" at 7:30 p.m. in Cle-A 309.

"NUTRITION AND BACKPACKING" and "CANOEING NITINAT LAKE" are presented by the Sierra Club, in Room 100, Fisher Building, Camosun College, at 7:30 p.m. Free admission.

Friday, November 22

Film

THE TERMINATOR and *CONAN THE DESTROYER* play at Cinecenta at 7:15 p.m. Come see Arnold Schwarzenegger beat people up, shoot things, destroy property and just generally cause a lot of trouble.

FRIDAY NIGHT FAMILY FILM SERIES continues tonight with *Evolution: Islam and the Sciences, The Solar System* and *Experimental*. The films begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Victoria Public Library. Free admission.

Theatre

BEACON HILL, Victoria's only improvised soap opera continues tonight at The Centre (563 Johnson St.) at 9 p.m. Tickets are $3 at the door. Come early as all the shows thus far have been sold out.

Music

THE VICTORIA CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC will present a recital programme featuring Diane Nelson, Ronald Nelson, and Alexandra Munn. The concert begins at 8 p.m. in the Young Building Auditorium at Camosun College. Admission is free but donations will be accepted at the door.

Happenings

THE INTERNATIONAL PEACE MOVEMENT and Grassroots Involvement. Carmela Allevato, Vancouver lawyer, school board member and peace activist, will speak at 7:30 pm. at the YM-YWCA, Rm. D—E, 880 Courtney St. Sponsored by the Victoria Peace Council, phone 642-5120.

Saturday, February 23

Film

THE DESTRUCTION CONTINUES at Cinecenta at 7:15 p.m. with the Schwarzenegger double bill. Come early because you don't want to miss any of Arnold's dialogue.

Happenings

SWAP-N-SHOP-ARAMA, Victoria's biggest garage sale will be held today. Bountiful bargains will be available at the Bay St. Armories from 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 24

Film

THE 4TH MAN plays at Cinecenta at 7:15 and 9:15 p.m. Sure to sell out.

Happenings

UNUSUAL ALIENS are expected to land at UVic today at around noon.

Monday, February 25

Film

THE 4TH MAN continues at Cinecenta at 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.

Happenings

PROF. WILLIAM CARROLL will speak on "Gender, Status and Class: An Analysis of the Canadian Occupational Structure," at 12:30 p.m. in Cornett B-108. Admission is free. Bring a bag lunch.

AMS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING at 7 p.m. in the SUB upper lounge. Free coffee and tea. All welcome. Except aliens.

Tuesday, February 26

Happenings

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Film

THERE'S NOTHING ON at Cinecenta, however I'm sure there is a good movie on television. $2 Tuesday downtown too.

Wednesday, February 27

Theatre

ST. LUKE'S PLAYERS presents "See How They Run" by Phillip Young. THe play will run until March 2 at St. Luke's Hall (3821 Cedar Hill Cross Rd.) at 8 p.m. Tickets are $5 adult and $3 students and OAP and are available at the door or Hillside mall.

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Film

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Happenings

THE POPULAR ARTS, a five part lecture series on art forms that enjoy wide contemporary popularity, continues at 12:30 in the SUB theatre with "Louis Armstrong in his Hot Twenties" by Barrie McLean.

ALIENS LEAVE, disappointed.

Thursday, February 28

Film

WALKABOUT plays Cinecenta at 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.

Happenings

THE DEPARTMENT OF CREATIVE WRITING presents a Senior Student Fiction Reading at 7 p.m. in Clearihue A-311.

B.C. PIRG presents a panel discussion on the basic steps in researching current controversial social and political issues with Linda Halliday, Peter Ladner and David Szollosy at 12:30 p.m. in Cornett A-221. Everyone is welcome.

Aliens' luggage arrives.

THE CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND present Prof. John Fitch who will lecture on "The Mannerist Style in Roman Literature and Art," at 8 p.m. in Cornett B112.

Barry McLean presents "Louis Armstrong in his Hot Twenties" — part of the lecture series THE POPULAR ARTS.

Theatre

TINTYPES begins today and runs until March 9 in the Phoenix Theatre. The show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are $7 adults, $5 students and seniors.

SEE HOW THEY RUN continues at St. Lukes Hall at 8 p.m.

Dance

MUJAHEDEEN STOMP (DANCE) begins at 8 p.m. in the SUB upper lounge. All proceeds to go to the Afghanistan resistance. Sponsored by the P.C. Youth. Allah Akbar!!

PSYCHOLOGY STUDENTS' UNION is presenting a film series on Psychological topics. All films will be screened in the Viewing Room in the basement of the McPherson Library at 12:30 p.m. This week: Visual Perception.

Get Your Tickets

BEACON HILL, Victoria's live soap opera sells out every Friday night, so if you want to go you must be at The Centre (563 Johnson St.) early (the show begins at 9 p.m.) Tickets are $3 at the door.

THE WOMEN'S SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTRE of Victoria will hold volunteer crisis-line training sessions February 23, 26; March 9, 12, 23, 26 and April 6 at the Women's Sexual Assault Centre (1045 Linden Avenue). For an interview please call 385-5545 before training session.

REGISTRATION IS NOW BEING TAKEN for two eight-week seminar courses on international development, co-sponsored by CUSO and the YM-YWCA. This registration takes place at the Y (880 Courtney Street) or telephone 386-7511.

WANT TO AVOID LINEUPS and also get a free movie ticket? Cinecenta now offers booklets of ten advance tickets for the price of eight regular tickets. Students: $20, others $25. On sale now at the door.

Exhibitions

THE LIVING HISTORIC VILLAGE MODEL commissioned by the Victoria Waterfront Enhancement Society will be on display in the Tillicum Mall February 4 to 9. Comments on the future of our inner harbour are invited.

MALTWOOD ART GALLERY: *Basketry of the Pacific Northwest* runts until March 3. This exhibit focuses on the various techniques of basketry and illustrates the development of styles from pre- to post-contact.

Billboard Policy

The *Martlet's* Billboard section will print notices of upcoming events. All submissions must be TYPED, double spaced and less than 50 words. Items may be dropped off at the *Martlet* or sent by mail to the Billboard editor. *Submission deadline is Monday noon*. We will not, however, print any submission from a profit organization WHICH CAN AFFORD TO ADVERTISE, unless the event directly pertains to the university community. Due to limited space, submissions will or won't be printed depending on their interest to UVic's students. Please include phone numbers and any applicable graphics.

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UNDERWATER PHOTO CONTEST, March 23, 7:30 p.m. SUB Upper Lounge. *Deadline for entries, March 18.*

SCUBA CLUB meets Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m. Cunningham 146.

THE WORLD UNIVERSITY SERVICE OF CANADA (WUSC) meets Thursday, 11:30 a.m., SUB 137B.

THE GERMAN CLUB meets Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m., in Clearihue D267.

LUTHERAN STUDENT MOVEMENT meets Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., UniCentre for dinner.

UVIC KAYAK CLUB meets Friday, McKinnon Pool, 8 p.m.

UVIC SAILING CLUB meets Wednesday, 12:30, Clearihue C108.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB meets Fridays 2:30 - 4:30, Old Gym.

FOLK DANCE CLUB. Tuesdays, 8 p.m., SUB upper lounge.

UVIC RUNNING CLUB meet Mon., Wed., Fri., 3:30, McKinnon Building lobby.

THE IMAGINATIVE FICTION SOCIETY meet Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Clearihue B315.

THE UVIC GREEN PARTY ASSOCIATION meet Tuesdays, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., Clearihue C115.

STUDENTS FOR CHOICE ON ABORTION (SCA) meet Tuesdays, 12:30 Clearihue C-wing.

THE ARAMAIC BIBLE CLUB meet Sunday, 2 to 3 p.m. and Wednesday, 8-9 p.m., SUB 137A.

CRICKET CLUB. Old gym, Sundays 6 to 10 p.m.

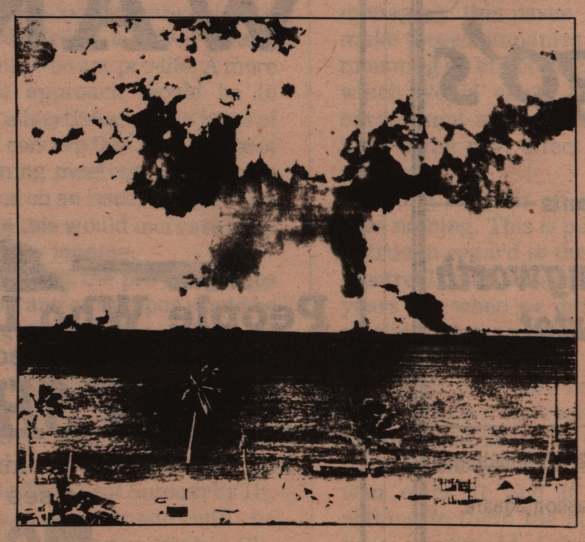
STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT meet SUB 137, Wednesdays, 12:30.

THE OUTDOORS CLUB meet Thursday 12:30, Clearihue A311.

CHESS CLUB meet Thursday, 6 p.m., Cle C108.

UVIC BADMINTON CLUB meets Sundays, 6 to 10 p.m., McKinnon Gym.

DR. W.L. GODSON speaks on "Atmospheric Aspects of Nuclear Winter," February 19, 7:30 p.m., Begbie 159.



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CIRCLE K CLUB meets Mondays, 11:30 a.m., SUB A137.

THE FRIENDS OF GRAVITY meet Thursday, 12:30 p.m., Student Administration Centre, SUB.

THE GAY/LESBIAN ORGANIZATION meet Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30, Cle C116.

THOM HENLEY speaks on "Environmental Problems of African Rain Forests and Deserts," February 27, 12:30 p.m., Cle C-316.

ALL SUBMISSIONS must be typed in this skeleton format. Only include Name, Event, Date, Time and Place. If the heavy editing bothers you, call 721-8367 and ask for Michelle.

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Exiled student looks to home

by Anne Webb

Jorge Arriaga came to Victoria as a Guatemalan student refugee in September, 1984. He was forced to flee his country in 1978, because he filled the position of General Secretary of the Student Union of the University of San Carlos.

The first General Secretary was assassinated, the second was pronounced missing, and fifteen days later the third, Arriaga, was threatened by secret police. He sought refuge in Mexico for one year, then spent five years in Costa Rica before he came to Canada last Autumn.

Mounting tension between the military government and the Student Union culminated in 1978, and the government responded with violence. Ever since 1954, when Jacabo Arbenz's two-year-old progressive government was overthrown by CIA backed mercenaries, and replaced by oppressive conservative forces, Guatemalan civilians have been fighting for human rights.

With the help of the Guatemalan traditional bourgeois sector and the CIA (who wish to protect American investments in Central America), the conservative government maintains Guatemala as a feudal nation. If a campesino causes any trouble, his land is expropriated. If factory workers attempt to unionize, their leaders are eliminated.

The Student Union in Guatemala is firmly backed by students, so it feels strong enough to voice the concerns of all oppressed sectors of society. In 1978 the Union publicly denounced two ruthless massacres carried out by the military government's army, and demanded human rights. The delcaration brought the Student Union to the attention of the government, and an end to the General Secretaries. Instead of closing the universities, the government silences the students with death threats and assassinations.

Once Arriaga reached Costa Rica, he was able to continue his support of the Guatemalan revolutionaries. He represented his country in the Central America students' association, and kept the other students up to date with a weekly analysis of the situation in Guatemala. He began an MA program in history and sociology at the University of Costa Rica, researched the revolutionary movement in Guatemala, worked on an historical atlas of Costa Rica from 1850 to 1950, and did a comparative study of urban patterns in Guatemala and Costa Rica.

While in Costa Rica, Arriaga applied for entry into Canada under the auspices of the World University Service of Canada. In Victoria, he continues to help his people by telling Canadians about the situation in Central America. He says Canadians can help Guatemalans by supporting the victimized students and factory workers. Only foreign condemnation can influence the oppressors. Because wealth buys power in Guatemala, and wealth is gathered from foreign investors, the elite could be more easily overthrown if foreign investors withdrew.

Once he feels confident with the English language, Arriaga plans to continue his MA program at UVic this September. He hopes to return to Central America afterwards, to continue his projects in Costa Rica. As soon as he can enter Guatemala certain of his right to live, he will do so.

Jorge Arriaga is being supported by the World University Service of Canada, the Central America Support Committee, and Susan and John Gage of Victoria. For more information contact WUSC through their box in SUB 137, or come to WUSC refugee information week, February 25 to March 1, in the SUB and March 11 to 15. □

More Letters

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mean (I want some explanation, for I am 6'3")?

4. I would hardly call the differences between the PC's and NDP "petty"!

And with regards Jamie Green's letter:

1. I would be interested in seeing someone try to prove that we promulgate "lies and half truths."

2. Anyone can be made aware of the conditions of the masses in the Warsaw Pact nations by reading reputable dissident authors (I will gladly provide a reading list) or by listening to defectors.

3. There are hardly the same number of political prisoners in Chile and the Philippines as in the Warsaw Pact, and to group Israel with these nations is ABSURD!

4. My *Oxford English Dictionary*'s definitions of "progressive" and "conservative" allow one to interpret them together to reach our party's definition of a P.C. as a person who does not advocate change for its own sake, but who believes that when change is needed that it be done carefully with consideration of precedents.

Michael S. Cummings

Responsibility, not labels

Editor:

I am becoming increasingly disgusted with labels like Left wing, Right wing, Socialist, Conservative, Communist or Fascist. These labels and party politics help no one, it just helps us lose sight of an important fact; we are all human beings. And as humans we have one binding force, social responsibility.

Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Taoism and many more religions are all based on social responsibility. The only people we have a right to name as heroes are those like Norman Bethune, Terry Fox, Mother Teresa, Albert Schweitzer and Saint Francis; all of whom only gave of themselves to help others.

Any person who doesn't agree with the idea of social responsibility is not a human but only a piece of shit. Being rich is the worst sin if you don't help the poor and defenceless.

I dream of a world with no starvation, no discrimination, no hatred and no social injustice. If everybody works toward this, then we can change the world; this is only possible if we discard politics and confrontation and replace it with social responsibility. It is time we changed our mode of thinking and develop a social conscience.

Bernard von Schulmann

Grits sorry

Editors:

On behalf of Vince Hemmingson, the President of the UVic Young Liberals, and John Roberts, I apologize to the 35 or 40 patient people who waited for John Roberts, a Liberal spokesperson, February 14 at 12:30. Mr. Roberts attended the "Dare to Care" rally instead. This inexcusable lack of notice will not happen again, I assure you.

C.P. O'Donnell
speaking unofficially
on behalf of the
UVic Young Liberals.

A few thank yous

Editors:

As my fifth year of university and third year of involvement with the Education Students' Association wind to an end there are a few thank you messages I would like to send (In no particular order).

1. Firstly to the staff of the Production Shop, Ken, his predecessor David, and especially Jackie who have all provided me with enormous support and service.

2. The crew of Cinecenta, especially John who put up with my constant questions and requests for three years.

3. Kristi, Kenzi, Lynn, Sue, and Dave who always had all the answers.

4. The *Martlet* staff, especially Theresa who always managed to get our ads in just the right spot.

5. Michael Peterson, the only AMS Course Union director who put common sense ahead of rules and regulations. Course Unions need supportive directors like Michael to survive.

6. Ruth Ann, Colette and Carrie who helped to make all our social events top notch.

7. Finally, to the janitorial staff of the SUB who have always been friendly and patient during our dances.

R. Hetherington
President, EdSA

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Editors:

I write to congratulate the students of the Faculty of Fine Arts on another successful Festival of Fine Arts. UVic has much to be proud of in its faculty and students who work to present our world to us through their art.

Gary Rupert
Curriculum Coordinator
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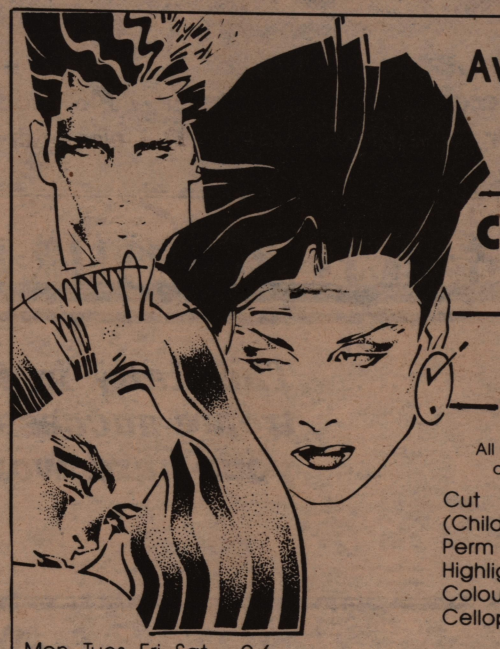

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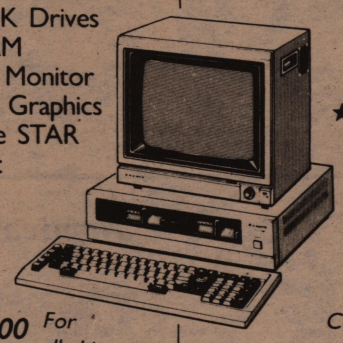

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- The Board of Trustees is a better boss than the BOD because our sole responsibility is the paper and production shop. Previously, reporting on the people who regulated our funding presented us with an obvious conflict of interest.
- When students are elected to the BOD, they become miserly bureaucrats. The BOT lets student politicians worry about newspaper finances, *Martlet* staff worry about newspaper quality, and student reps worry about whatever they choose (including all of the above).
- Drop by SUB 109 and talk to the editors for more information

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Rosemin Keshvani
AMS President

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